

## BEAVERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

# GENERAL ORDER

NUMBER: 4.04.00  
SUBJECT: REQUIRED USE OF HEARING PROTECTION AT  
FIREARMS RANGE  
EFFECTIVE: MAY 1, 2001  
REVIEW: MAY 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005

1. PURPOSE. To assure proper hearing protection is provided for, and used by all department members while participating in department required firearms training.
2. POLICY. It is the policy of this Department that all members shall wear the below listed hearing protection equipment whenever they are at a Department required, authorized, or voluntary training session, and are using firearms that produce an audible report equal to or greater than what is produced by a standard duty weapon being fired with actual ammunition.
3. MANDATORY EQUIPMENT. The following equipment must be worn by all Department personnel when participating in firearms activities as outlined above:
  - A. Department provided or approved “ear muff” style hearing protection.
  - B. Department provided or approved “foam insert” hearing protection.
4. USE OF EQUIPMENT. All Department members are required to wear both of the above provided or department approved hearing protection while participating in firearms training as outlined above. The foam inserts will be placed into the ears, and the earmuff protection will be worn over the ears.
5. AVAILABILITY OF HEARING PROTECTION EQUIPMENT. The department will make available both of the types of hearing equipment for members to wear while participating in the described training. It is the responsibility of the Range Master to insure equipment availability and that the equipment is in proper working order.

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Chief of Police

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